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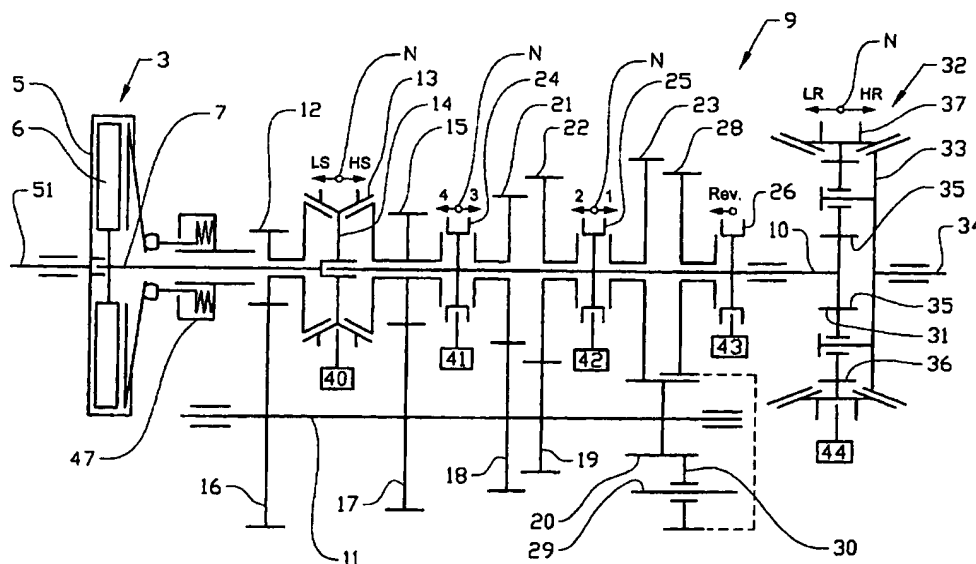
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(57) Abstract: Stage-gearbox (9) for motor vehicles, comprising an unsynchronized basic gearbox (15, 17, 21, 18, 22, 19, 23, 20, 28, 30), at least one synchronized auxiliary gear (12, 13, 15, 16, 17) and at least one control unit (45) for controlling engagement and disengagement of the gears of the gearbox (9) and also neutral position. The gearbox is characterized in that the control unit (45) is arranged so as, when input signals indicating that neutral position is selected are received, to put the synchronized auxiliary gear (12, 13, 15, 16, 17) in neutral position.